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S. No.	State	Beneficiaries assisted under Urban Self Employment Programme	No. of Man days generated under Urban Wage Employment Programme (in Lakhs)	Reported upto
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil	1.04	June, 99
2.	Assam	Nil	0.6	Mar, 2000
3.	Manipur	Nil	Nil	N.R.*
4.	Meghalaya	414	0.26	Sep., 99
5.	Mizoram	1038	1.87	Mar. 2000
6.	Nagaland	585	0.45	Mar. 2000
7.	Tripura	38	1.5	Dec. 99

\* N.R.— Not Reported

**Illegal Constructions in Delhi and other Metropolitan Cities**

149. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that illegal constructions are on the rise in Delhi including various metropolitan cities;

(b) if so, what are the names of the metropolitan cities regarding which Government have information of illegal constructions taking place there;

(c) whether any action has been taken by Government against illegal constructions in metropolitan cities;

(d) if so, the elaborate details, thereof;

(e) whether Government have formed any squad to check illegal constructions;

(f) if so, what has been its achievements; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) to (g) It is a fact that illegal

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

constructions have been on the rise in Delhi and other metropolitan cities during the last few years. In Delhi, a special drive has been launched to check these illegal constructions. The Ministry of Urban Development is impressing upon the local authorities to ensure full compliance of building bye-laws and planning norms set out in the Delhi Master Plan. It is also monitoring the results of the drive. In some cases, blatant illegal construction in connivance with the local officials has been noticed. The CBI has been asked to enquire into these cases.

In respect of other metropolitan cities, action has to be taken by the local bodies concerned/State Governments. No precise information is available in this regard. However, in the meeting of State Ministers for Urban Development and Local Self Government, convened by the Union Urban Development Minister on January 17, 2000, the rising menace of land and building 'mafia' in the metropolitan cities of the States was specifically brought to the notice of the State Governments and they were advised to take firm action against the illegal builders and ensure full compliance of building bye-laws and planning norms and regulations.

#### **Schemes under Urban Poverty Alleviation Programme in Assam**

150. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state;

(a) the details of Centrally sponsored schemes in the State of Assam under Urban Poverty Alleviation Programme formulated and implemented during the last three years;

(b) the total budget allocated for the same during this period; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY) was launched with effect from 01.12.1997 on all India basis, including the State of Assam, for the benefit of urban poor. This programme seeks to provide gainful employment to the urban unemployed or underemployed poor through encouraging the setting up of self-employment ventures or